

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on Page 8, Line 5 as follows:

Once the list of products is displayed to the consumer, the consumer may change, by category, the product selections (state 112). The system then applies the supplier marketing agreements 116 to the selected combination of products (state 114). The supplier marketing agreements applied to the combination of products may be updated at the discretion of the provider 109 (state 118).

Please amend the paragraph beginning on Page 12, Line 7 as follows:

FIG. 3 depicts a flow chart showing details of the process performed by package request processor [[106]] 206 of FIG. 2. In FIG. 3, the package request processor 206 receives the consumer request (step 302), including a number of items of interest. In turn, the package request processor 206 identifies the potential providers (step 304) by submitting a query to an item/provider database system 210 (step 310), which searches a database of providers and items to identify the potential providers that may supply the items requested by the consumer.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on Page 13, Line 9 as follows:

In the alternative embodiment of the booking engine 218 depicted in FIG. 5, the booking engine 218 receives a purchase request from the consumer (step 402). Then, the booking engine 218 books the package of items with the selected providers (step 504) by sending a booking request to the item/provider database system 210 (step 506). Once the item/provider database system 210 notifies each of the potential providers of the purchase request and the providers accept the purchase request, the package item providers are compensated for their commitment to provide the package items and a provider confirmation response (step 508) is returned to the booking engine 218 (step 510). The booking engine 218 then returns the provider confirmation to the consumer to complete the transaction (step 512).